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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<i>Applicants:</i>	Howlett, Philip George et al.	}	<i>Confirmation No.:</i> 4041
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<i>Examiner:</i>	Nguyen, Thu V	}	

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTIONMail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 7, 2007, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for the Examiner's consideration.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 4.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.